



## MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS

### PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, by Proclamation dated March 14, 2020, issued by Tate Reeves, Governor of the State of Mississippi, a state of emergency was declared pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. Section §33-15-11, in order to address the high risk for an outbreak of the novel coronavirus known as COVID-19, in the State of Mississippi; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) identifies the potential public health threat posed by COVID-19 both globally and in the United States as “very high”, and has advised that person-to-person spread of COVID-19 will continue to occur globally, including within the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the CDC recommends mitigation measures for communities experiencing an outbreak including limiting face-to-face contact with others as much as possible and replacing in-person meetings with video or telephone conferences; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor’s Proclamation has invoked the emergency powers of the Governor pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. Section §33-15-11(c)(1) to temporarily suspend or modify any state statute, rule, regulation or order which would in any way prevent, hinder or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mississippi State Board of Nursing Home Administrators, as an agency of the State of Mississippi, wishes to comply with the Governor’s Proclamation and take those steps necessary to address access to care for the people in the State of Mississippi during this time of emergency.

**NOW THEREFORE**, Part 2703 Chapter 1, Rule 1.3A.(2)(a) is hereby modified that preceptor certification set to expire on June 30, 2020 shall be extended through October 31, 2020.

**FURTHER**, until further action is taken by the Governor of the State of Mississippi, the Mississippi State Board of Nursing Home Administrators does hereby temporarily modify Part 2703, Chapter 2, Rule 2.2.A.(7):



- a. to provide programs which have received approval by NCERS (the National Board's Review Service of Continuing Education) and the Board will be acceptable for licensure renewal requirements for nursing home administrators licensed in Mississippi, including self-study courses and distance learning courses.
- b. To provide that no administrator shall receive credit for more than twenty (20) hours earned from self study and distance learning courses per 2-year licensure period.

**FURTHER**, except as specifically stated herein, all other regulations remain in full force and effect.

**SO, ORDERED AND APPROVED** by the Mississippi State Board of Nursing Home Administrators this, the 30<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020.

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ADMINISTRATORS

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